

CITY OF SEATTLE
RESOLUTION _____

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A RESOLUTION supporting efforts by the State Legislature to allow local governments to propose ordinances that significantly increase the supply of rent restricted units and that protect tenants from sudden and dramatic rent increases, without causing a negative impact on the quality or quantity of housing supply, by modifying or repealing RCW 35.21.830.

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WHEREAS, residents across Seattle face rising housing costs that challenge Seattle's future as an affordable and equitable city; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 31609 declares the City Council's intent to consider numerous strategies to increase the availability of affordable housing in Seattle, including some that require changes in State law; and

WHEREAS, the City's 2015 State Legislative Agenda supported "creating and preserving financing tools and other policies to expand affordable housing and help ensure affordability and stability for tenants;" NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE THAT:

Section 1. The City Council supports efforts by the State Legislature to allow local governments to propose ordinances that significantly increase the supply of rent-restricted units and that protect tenants from sudden and dramatic rent increases, without causing a negative impact on the quality or quantity of housing supply, by modifying or repealing RCW 35.21.830.

The City Council requests that the Office of Intergovernmental Relations incorporate this position into the City's forthcoming 2016 State Legislative Agenda.

Adopted by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2015, and signed
by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this _____ day
of _____, 2015.

President _____ of the City Council

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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